REMARKS

As prompted by the Examiner, an interview was conducted via telephone on July 7, 2005 relative to correcting certain informalities in the claims. Further interviews were conducted via telephone on July 18 and July 21, 2005 in which agreement was reached regarding the amendments that are made herein to place the claims in condition for allowance. Particular reference is made to the amendments made in the seven lines of text added at the end of claim 26. In addition, in the Supplemental Amendment, the term "sort means" in claim 26 and the language describing it remain unchanged in relation to the amendment filed April 25. Claim 29 is also cancelled herein in favor of claim 30 which contains recitations similar to those of amended claim 28.

Applicant submits the present amendment for the Examiner's approval to permit the application to proceed to allowance at this time. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that she telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which she might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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